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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

September 28, 2005

TO:

Alan Bullard, Regional Director Kathleen Clinton, Regional Director John Craven, Regional Director

FROM:

Stephen H. Norris

Deputy Commissioner

SUBJECT:

Prescription Drugs

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide follow-up to my memo of August 30, 2005, regarding short-term funding assistance for prescription drugs for TennCare Eligible individuals who are statefunded by the Division of Mental Retardation Services and who are adults (age 21 and older).

In the previous memo, it was announced that for dates of service from August 1, 2005, through September 30, 2005, the Division of Mental Retardation Services would provide limited state funding for medications in accordance with certain guidelines. The period for which this state funding will be able has been extended to include dates of service from **October 1, 2005, through October 31, 2005**, when provided in accordance with the guidelines announced in the memo of August 30, 2005.

This reimbursement for drugs will be available ONLY for <u>adult</u> (age 21 and older) <u>TennCare Eliqible</u> <u>individuals who are state-funded by DMRS</u> and who are not enrolled in one of the Home and Community Based Services waiver programs ("Statewide" waiver, "Arlington" waiver, "Self-Determination" waiver).

If you have any questions, please contact Louis Moore, M.D., Medical Director for Policy and Governmental Relations, at (615) 741-6632.

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